



Be a Sewer Hero at the 2017 Athens Water Festival

Looking for something to do this weekend with the whole family? Look no further than the Athens Water Festival at Sandy Creek Park on Saturday, September 9th from 10:30 to 2:00 pm.

This year's theme is "Be a Sewer Hero!" Over 20 different water organizations will be on hand with fun, educational activities and games. Touch sea life, become a water drop, splash in the spray of water trucks, or create a water delivery system. With open-ended activities, participants of all ages will enjoy the festival. You don't have to tell the kids, but we splash learning into all of this fun. Most festival activities meet the Georgia Performance Standards in science.

Admission into Sandy Creek Park is \$2 per person, but all Festival activities are FREE. We hope to see you there!

This event is brought to you by the ACC Water Conservation Office, ACC Stormwater Management Program, and ACC Leisure Services. Visit www.athenswaterfestival.com [<http://www.athenswaterfestival.com/>] for more information.

Rivers Alive Volunteer Registration is Underway

Georgia's Annual Rivers Alive event is just around the bend!

Our rivers and streams provide us with fresh drinking water, important wildlife habitat, and recreational opportunities. Help preserve our precious rivers and streams at this year's Rivers Alive volunteer cleanup on Saturday, September 30th.

Last year, 307 volunteers came out to collect over 2.6 of trash, .5 tons of recycling, and 228 tires during the event. Help us top these numbers in 2017!

Volunteer check-in starts at 8:00 AM at Sandy Creek Nature Center. Breakfast and entertainment will be provided as we gather for the cleanup, and groups will disperse to their individual sites around 9:00am. Volunteers should bring a reusable water bottle and gloves, wear long pants and closed toed shoes, and come prepared to get dirty. For more information and to register, visit www.athensclarkecounty.com/riversalive [<http://www.athensclarkecounty.com/riversalive>].



2016 volunteers gather at the kick-off event.



A truckload of tires that were pulled out of the North Oconee River in 2016.



You never know what kind of trash you'll find!

We Want to Hear From You!

Have questions about the Stormwater Program? Curious about how your Stormwater Utility Fee is calculated? Unsure about our local ordinances relating to stormwater? We are soliciting feedback about our program and want to hear from you. Submit any questions or comments you have on our [online form](#) and you will hear back from someone within 48 hours.

Upcoming Events

Athens Water Festival

Saturday, September 9, 10:30am-2:00pm
Sandy Creek Park (400 Bob Holman Road)

Be a Sewer Hero at this year's Athens Water Festival! This is a family friendly event all about water, hosted by the ACC Water Conservation Office with support from ACC Stormwater and ACC Leisure Services. There is a \$2/person entry fee into Sandy Creek Park, but all the activities are FREE! Make sure to bring your swimsuit and a water bottle. Visit www.athenswaterfestival.com [<http://www.athenswaterfestival.com/>] for more information.

Green School Kick-off

Thursday, September 14, 4:00pm-6:00pm
Hi-Lo Lounge (1354 Prince Avenue)

You are invited to join us as we kick-off the 2017-2018 school year with a Green School celebration! Trivia, food, prizes, giveaways and more! All teachers, paraprofessionals, PTA/PTO representatives, and interested community members are invited to attend. Learn about the environmental education resources available in ACC, network with fellow teachers, and meet your Green School Program contacts. For more information, visit www.accgreenschools.org [<http://www.accgreenschools.org/>].

SepticSmart Week

September 18-22

The US Environmental Protection Agency is celebrating the fifth annual SepticSmart Week, and it is Time to Get Pumped. SepticSmart Week encourages homeowners, wastewater professionals, and state and local officials to design and maintain effective septic systems to protect public health, preserve valuable water resources, and sustain economic vitality in their communities. If you have a septic system, consider joining the celebration by visiting the [ACC Septic System Education website](http://www.athensclarkecounty.com/septic) [<http://www.athensclarkecounty.com/septic>], reading the ACC Septic System brochure, or scheduling a septic system inspection and pump.

Rivers Alive

Saturday, September 30, 8:00am-12:00pm
Kick-off at Sandy Creek Nature Center (205 Old Commerce Road)


Volunteer to help preserve our precious rivers and streams at the 2017 Rivers Alive volunteer cleanup event! The cleanup is on Saturday, September 30th from 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM. Volunteer check-in is at Sandy Creek Nature Center and starts at 8:00 AM, with free breakfast and live entertainment. Please arrive early to park, and carpooling is highly encouraged. Volunteers should bring a reusable water bottle and gloves, and wear long pants and closed toed shoes. Please visit www.athensclarkecounty.com/riversalive or the Facebook page 'Rivers Alive Athens' for more information.

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Notice Dumping?

Call the Stormwater Hotline at 706-614-1282 if you see someone dumping into a storm drain or notice flooding due to clogged drains or pipes.

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